

GERMANS HALTED, TITANIC BATTLES RAGE ON DNIESTER

Both Berlin and Petrograd, However, Admit No Decisive Result Has Been Obtained Anywhere on Sixty Mile Front.

MACKENSEN STILL PUSHES FORWARD

LONDON, June 27.—Grand Duke Nicholas has checked the Austro-German advance on the Dniester front, but fierce battles, extending sixty miles along the river, are raging and it is admitted by both Petrograd and Berlin that no decisive result has been obtained.

General von Mackensen is pressing the advance of the Austro-Germans from Lemberg, but without the dash that characterized the initial drive into Galicia, which resulted in the capture of Przemyśl and Lemberg.

The Austro-Germans have assumed a strong offensive along almost the entire 700 miles of the eastern battle front. It is believed that a serious movement has begun toward Warsaw, upon which the Germans are advancing from every point except the east. The Germans have shipped heavy guns from Essen to Russian Poland, and it is assumed that they will be used in the attack upon Warsaw.

There is a comparative lull on the Franco-Flanders fronts. The Berlin and Paris official statements regarding the operations in the west are contradictory. The German war office reports that the fighting north of Arras has ended with the last French troops driven from the German trenches, while Paris declares that infantry operations in that region have been impeded by a heavy rainstorm, but that the artillery engagement continues.

The French war office admits that fierce German attacks on the heights of the Meuse enabled the enemy to penetrate one of the advanced French trenches.

Great battles are imminent all along the Austro-Italian battle line, according to reports from Rome. A new forward movement by the Italian forces has resulted in the capture of the summit of Zeilenkofel, declared to be an important strategic position west of the Pass of Monte Croce. The Austrians also have been driven further back from the Isonzo river.

The Italians have destroyed the Monfalcone canal at its mouth, to hasten the subsidence of floods. Along this front the Italians claim to be making slow but steady progress.

On the Tyrol-Trentino front only artillery actions are taking place.

Fate of Galicia Hangs On Outcome of Battle

LONDON, June 27.—While Petrograd claims that the Russians are continuing successfully to hold their line along the Dniester river, and Berlin admits the Austro-German forces on that front have been checked, it is apparent, say military experts, that no decisive result has been obtained.

The battle of the Dniester, along a sixty-mile line, they say, has assumed the character and importance reached by the battle of Grodek before the fall of Lemberg, which necessitated the retreat of the Russians along a wide front, and delivered all Galicia to the Austro-Hungarians.

It is admitted here that the fate of that part of Galicia now in the hands of the Russians depends upon the battle of the Dniester. It is not certain whether the Slav commander is preparing a serious offensive along this entire Galician front, or is merely fighting stubbornly in a gradual retirement to the frontier, in which all his armies will be involved.

Attacking South of Lemberg. Both the Berlin and Petrograd official statements received here agree that General von Linsingen is attacking with great fury south of Lemberg and along the Dniester to a point north of Stanislaw.

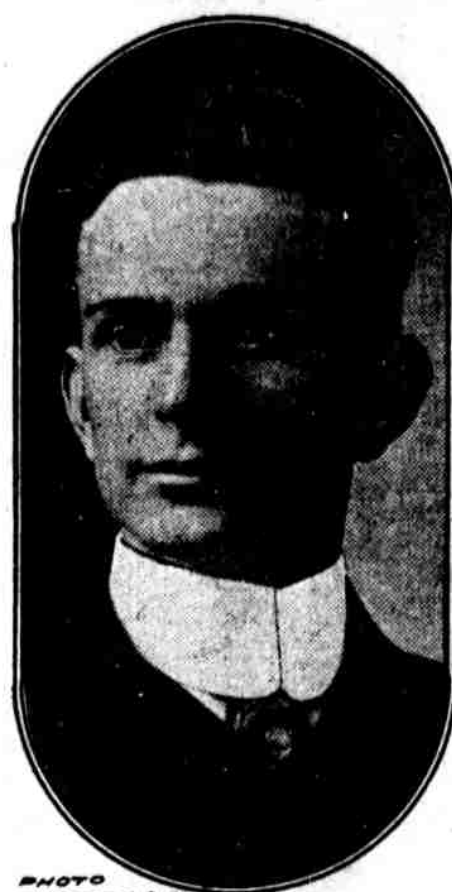
They give only meager details of the action east of Lemberg, but it is pointed out that exhaustion from the rapid march on Lemberg, rather than the withdrawal of troops, probably has slackened Mackensen's pursuit of the Slavs who evacuated Lemberg.

Few battles have been fought with more desperation or with heavier losses to both sides than the one raging along the tortuous course of the Dniester. On the right bank of the river at Halicz the Russians are maintaining their hold. They are on the left bank of the stream above this town, but on the stretch between there and Zalesky the river line itself is a debatable ground.

The river presents a serious problem for both combatants. In its middle it reaches an average width of 200 feet, with a current exceeding a mile and a quarter an hour. The Russians have placed their line of the river in a

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Wife Repudiates Lawyer Who Attacked Her Father



THOMAS G. FORNEY, Son-in-law of T. Franklin Schneider.

FAMILY IN PERIL, SAYS FORNEY VICTIM

T. Franklin Schneider, Back From Pittsburgh, Feared for Wife and Daughter.

Mrs. Florence Schneider Forney, wife of the Washington lawyer under arrest in Pittsburgh charged with assaulting his father-in-law, J. Franklin Schneider, with intent to kill him, today, in a statement given to The Times repudiated her husband.

She declared she hoped never to see his face or hear his name again. "Some of the papers have said that I am 'being urged' to repudiate him, but it is ridiculous to say I need urging," said Mrs. Forney. "I am doing it of my own free will. I do not want to be called by his name and I hope I will never see him as long as I live."

"I cannot rid myself too quickly of a man who attempts to murder my father. I am gathering up all of his belongings and everything that might remind me of him and will put it out of the house. I am done with him forever."

Her face pale with the ordeal through which she has passed, but with rare self-control, the tall, handsome young woman stood beside her father, who arrived in Washington today from Pittsburgh, in their apartment in the Cairo, her eyes flashing as she denounced the man she had married.

T. Franklin Schneider, with a surgical dressing on his brow to show where three heavy blows of a machinist's hammer fell, was present at the interview. He came from Pittsburgh for the purpose of seeing his wife and daughter, and to reassure them that he had not been hurt seriously.

Mr. Schneider today declared he was the victim of a deep-laid plot to obtain his fortune. That there are widespread ramifications in the plot was indicated today, when it became known that other areas are likely. Just how far the supposed plot or conspiracy against Mr. Schneider extended is not known at this time, but it is believed that the plot is being carried out by a group of men, including Mr. Forney, and George McHenry, the Washington waiter, held here on Forney's charge, are involved. Secretary was today taken to Pittsburgh without explanation.

A Pittsburgh comes the information that the police there are seeking a third man whom they describe as a Washington chauffeur.

Suspects Wide Plot. Schneider added to the sensational features of the case by declaring that he believed that the plot involved not only the death of himself, but of his wife and his daughter. "I am convinced," he said, "that if I had been killed, my wife would have been next, and then my daughter."

McHenry maintains his innocence, and declares he was "framed." Mr. Schneider made no attempt to identify McHenry as one of his assailants. "I could not possibly recognize him," he said. "It was in a dark room, and he had his head down. I do not wish to see him."

Mr. Schneider will return to Pittsburgh for the hearing. **At Point of Revolver.** "Forney's alleged confession of plotting to end the life of his father-in-law, in which he named McHenry as the man who had wielded the hammer upon Mr. Schneider's head, was obtained, Mr. Schneider said today, at the point of a revolver."

In the presence of three detectives, I thrust a revolver in his face in a hotel room, and told him to confess, or I would kill him. When he hesitated over points in the confession I became more menacing. The only motive he could give was the statement, 'I was money wild; I was money wild, that's all.' He repeated this over and over again."

I have no doubt that according to the plans made, I was to die before June 26, when a twenty-year enforcement insurance policy for \$75,000 became payable. Forney knew of the facts. I believe, and did not want me to collect the money. He wanted it to go to the estate in cash. Before I left Washington, (Continued on Seventh Page.)



MRS. THOMAS G. FORNEY, Neé Florence Schneider.

TEN THOUSAND PRAY AT MILITARY MASS

Fort Myer Drill Field Presents Brilliant Scene as Catholic Societies Worship in Open.

Before a throng estimated at 10,000, a military field mass was celebrated on the Fort Myer drill field this morning. The drill field presented a vivid picture in the bright morning sun with the full dress uniforms of soldiers, sailors and marines. Hundreds of motor cars were parked on the east side near the Arlington wall. Thousands of Catholics made their way to the fort in street cars, jitney busses and on foot.

The religious services began at 10 o'clock with a sacred concert by the Knights of Columbus Choral Society and the Fifth Cavalry Band and Orchestra. The mass was begun at 10:30 with Chaplain P. D. O'Keefe as the celebrant. He was assisted by the Rev. A. J. Donlon, S. J., president of Georgetown University, as deacon, and the Rev. Louis J. O'Hearn, of Catholic University, sub-deacon.

The Rev. George A. Dougherty was master of ceremonies, assisted by Joseph A. Kuhn, of Holy Trinity Church, Georgetown.

The Right Rev. D. D. O'Connell, bishop of Richmond, and former rector of the Catholic University of America, presided at the mass and preached the sermon. He dwelt upon American patriotism, and the glory of the men who have given their lives and who were giving their manhood for the defense of the Union. Music was sung by the Knights of Columbus Choral Society, and played by the Cavalry Band and Orchestra and a drum and fife corps that accompanied sailors and marines from the Washington Navy Yard.

Practically all of the organizations of the Knights of Columbus and all of the Holy Name societies of the Washington branch, and several from nearby Virginia, attended the service. The temporary altar was erected at the north end of the field, with Arlington Cemetery to the right and the Virginia hills to the south and west. Stretching away from the altar in a great semi-circle was a mass of living color and quiet humanity.

PRESIDENT TRUNDLES BABY SAYRE GO-CART

WINDSOR, Vt., June 27.—A threatened storm kept the President from church this morning. After attending to a little correspondence, he trundled the Baby Sayre go-cart and then took a long walk through the grounds surrounding Harlakenden House.

The trip started at 2:30 o'clock and lasted until 6 o'clock. White River Junction, Windsor and Woodstock were visited.

AMSTERDAM, June 26.—A German submarine was accidentally blown up in the North Sea last Tuesday, according to advice from Bodkum island. Only two members of the crew are reported saved.

The U-boat was proceeding from a submarine base at Emden into the North Sea when the explosion occurred, the dispatch said her shell was blown to bits and she went to the bottom immediately.

HUERTA DETAINED WITH OROZCO BY U. S. AT EL PASO

Former Mexican Dictator Technically Under Arrest Pending Action By Washington, and Revolution Is Believed to Have Been Nipped

ABOUT TO CROSS LINE, IS REPORT

Met By Secret Service Men and Troops Immediately After Arrival At Texas Town and Hurried To Federal Building At Once.

DALHART, Tex., June 27.—Gen. Victoriano Huerta is not going into Mexico to start a revolution. He said so here last night when seen by a reporter. Further than that statement, however, he would not commit himself. This is what he said:

"No, sir; I am not going into Mexico to start a revolution. I am simply out for a vacation. I do not care to discuss Mexican matters while on American soil."

The former President of the southern republic is traveling with his son and secretary.

EL PASO, June 27.—Gen. Victoriano Huerta and his former aide, Gen. Pascual Orozco, were detained here by Federal agents today, and are technically under arrest.

It is believed Orozco intended to rush Huerta across the line in an automobile, and it is generally accepted that the Secret Service men nipped a new revolution by their action.

As soon as he arrived this morning, Federal agents suggested that the former provisional President of Mexico and his lieutenant accompany them to the Federal building.

There he is being detained, while he confers with the assistant United States district attorney and Secret Service men behind closed doors in the office of Customs Collector Z. L. Cobb. He will be held until Washington officials act on the case.

Huerta's train was due at 6:30, but arrived an hour late. When the train reached the union station only two members of his suite were aboard. Later developments showed that General Orozco and General Huerta's son-in-law, Maj. Luis Guentes, met the one time dictator at Newman, New Mexico, twenty miles north of El Paso, and took him from the train to ride to the city by automobile.

SECRET SERVICE MEN PRESENT. United States, Villista, and Carranzista Secret Service officers were present at the meeting. There were also some United States troops. The troops, it was explained, were there only as a protective measure to assure safety for the former Mexican President.

However, American Secret Service men asked Huerta and Orozco to accompany them to the Federal building here for a conference. Accompanied by an automobile full of troops and followed by the Secret Service men, Huerta and Orozco and their party drove to the apartment where Huerta's daughter is and spent a few minutes.

Then, accompanied by the same procession, he went to the Federal building.

General Huerta seemed perfectly at ease. He asked for cigarettes, and Collector Cobb supplied six packages.

The general was attired in civilian clothes, with a shirt with soft collar. He perspired freely as he sat in the collector's office, but smiled and beamed on everybody. Orozco wore a plain black business suit. He had nothing to say.

It is known that a long code message from Secretary of State Lansing was received here last night, referring to the visit of General Huerta. Its contents were kept secret, however.

It is also known that Col. Omar Bundy, commanding the United States border patrol, was appealed to last night by